Minutes of the Centerville **City Council work session** held Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 6:10 p.m. with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street, and remotely via Zoom.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Clark Wilkinson

Council Members Tamilyn Fillmore

William Ince Stephanie Ivie George McEwan Robyn Mecham

**STAFF PRESENT** Brant Hanson, City Manager

Lisa Romney, City Attorney Jennifer Hansen, City Recorder

Jacob Smith, Administrative Services Director

Kevin Campbell, City Engineer Nate Plaizier, Finance Director Mike Carlson, Public Works Director Bryce King, Recreation Coordinator Paul Child, Centerville Police Chief

VISITOR David Flowers

## **CULINARY WATER CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN**

City Engineer Kevin Campbell stated the Culinary Water Master Plan, last updated in 2011, should be updated every 7-10 years. He reported the City was in good shape regarding culinary water as long as aquifers continued to receive water from the canyons, and explained some of the planned capital facilities projects. Public Works Director Mike Carlson reviewed the proposed Capital Facilities Plan with the Council. He said he was proud of Centerville's water system and wanted it to continue to grow and provide a benefit to citizens. Mr. Campbell said they were trying to stay on schedule with projects despite rising costs.

Finance Director Nate Plaizier presented a FY2022 Water Fund Budget, and answered questions from the Council. He explained that approximately \$1.2 million additional funding was needed in the Water Fund to keep up with the Capital Facilities Plan, and stated a 30% rate increase would provide the needed funds with a buffer for inflation. Councilmember McEwan asked if staff had considered putting caps on water use with incremental punitive charges. Mr. Campbell responded that incremental costs were already built into the rate structure. Councilmember McEwan expressed a desire to look further at incremental costs since water rates were the only control the City had for water use. Councilmember Ivie suggested better citizen education was needed.

The Council and staff discussed the need to encourage water conservation and the impact citizen water conservation may have on Water Fund revenue. Responding to Councilmember McEwan's comment about setting caps, Mr. Hanson suggested looking into whether there seemed to be natural breaks in the amount of water used by households. Councilmember McEwan stated he wanted to avoid rate increase fatigue, and said he would want to implement

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an increase that would be sufficient for the next three or four years. Councilmember McEwan said it would be helpful in future discussions to see a distribution of water line size, and a breakout of total consumption by line size. Responding to a question from Councilmember Ince, Mr. Campbell explained that the last water system report did not take aging reservoirs, booster stations, or well houses into account. The last water rate increase was implemented to fund replacement of water lines.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:53 p.m., Councilmember McEwan moved to adjourn the work session. Councilmember Ivie seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

